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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - Sri A.Veerabhadra Rao, the then Panchayat Secretary, Chevuru Gram Panchayat, Mudinepalli (M), Krishna District (now Retd.) - Departmental proceedings under Rule 20 of the APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 - Articles of Charge issued - Enquiry conducted - Enquiry Report communicated- Disciplinary action finalized-Imposing of penalty of withholding of 5% of Pension for a period of one (1) year-Orders Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ&RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIGILANCE-IV) DEPARTMENT

GO.Rt.No.273. Dated.26.03.2024

Read the following:-

1. From the District Panchayat Officer, Krishna Lr.Roc.No.1241/2005/Pts, dt.06.08.2007.
2. The Commissioner, PR&RD Charge Memo No.11017/CPR&RE/B1/2007, dt.16.11.2007.
3. Written Statement Defense of Sri A.Veerabhadra Rao, the then Panchayat Secretary of Chevuru Gram Panchayat (retired) dt.13.10.2008.
4. Proceedings of the Commissioner, PR&RE, No.11017/B1/2007, dt.29.12.2008.
5. Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Praja Parishad, Krishna District, Inquiry Report in Rc.No.189/2009/C4, dt.12.04.2010.
6. Government Memo No.11017/CPR&RE/B1/2007, dt.28.08.2010.
7. Explanation of the Charged Officer(Sri A.Veerabhadra Rao, the then Panchayat Secretary of Chevuru Gram Panchayat (retired),)dt.02.10.2010.
8. Letter from the Commissioner, PR&RD, No.881423/CPR&RD/B1/2019, dt.12.09.2022.
9. Government, Memo No.1950340/Vig-IV/A1/2023, dt.15.07.2023.
10. Explanation of the Charged Officer(Sri A.Veerabhadra Rao, the then Panchayat Secretary of Chevuru Gram Panchayat (retired),dt.21.11.2023.

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ORDER:

In the reference 2nd read above, disciplinary action was initiated against Sri A. Veerabhadra Rao, the then Panchayat Secretary of Chevuru Gram Panchayat of Mudinepalli (M) of Krishna District by framing the following Article of Charge, for the irregularity committed by him in misappropriating the Revenue collection to a tune of Rs.63,918/- through an unauthorized receipt book.

Charge:

That Sri A. Veerabhadra Rao, the then Panchayat Secretary of Chevuru Gram Panchayat of Mudinepalli (M) of Krishna District has collected Revenue collection to a tune of Rs.63,918/- through an unauthorized receipt book and credited an amount of 43,851/- as against the misappropriated revenue collections of Rs. 63,918/-. Therefore, he has not shown devotion to duty, discipline and sense of propriety and violated Rule 3 (1) of the APCS (conduct) Rules,1964. Hence, the charge.

2. The Charged officer has submitted his written statement defense vide reference 3rd read above and the same was not convincing. In the reference 4th read above, the Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Praja Parishad, Krishna was appointed as Enquiry Officer and District Panchayat Officer, Krishna as Presenting Officer to conduct inquiry in this case. In the reference 5th read above, the Enquiry Office after conducting inquiry has submitted his enquiry report, duly held that the charge is held proved against the Charged Officer for negligence on his part while discharging his legitimate duty.

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3. And whereas, in the reference 6th read above, enquiry report was communicated to the Charged Officer, calling for his explanation on the findings of the Enquiry Officer. In the reference 7th read above, Sri A.Veerabhadra Rao, the then Panchayat Secretary of Chevuru Gram Panchayat (retired) has submitted his explanation stating that the charge issued on him pertains to Water Cess relating to Revenue Department and the same amounts were also remitted but, there is a delay due to lack of knowledge and there is no loss to the Government exchequer.

4. After examination of the matter and the explanation of the charged officer, keeping in view of the findings of the Inquiring Authority, provisionally decided to impose the penalty of withholding of 5 % of pension for a period of one (1) year against Sri A.Veerabhadra Rao, the then Panchayat Secretary of Chevuru Gram Panchayat (now retired) and issued show-cause notice on him on the above proposed penalty vide reference 9th read above. The individual in the reference 10th read above has submitted his representation denying the action and stated that., if punishment is inevitable agreed for the proposed punishment. Therefore, it is decided to confirm the provisional decision of withholding of 5% pension for a period of one (1) year.

5. Accordingly, the Government hereby order to impose the penalty of withholding of 5% Pension for a period of one (1) year under Rule 9 of AP Revised pension Rules, 1980, against Sri A.Veerabhadra Rao, the then Panchayat Secretary of Chevuru Gram Panchayat, Mudinepalli Mandal, Krishna District (now retired).

6. The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development shall take necessary further action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To
Sri Veerabhadra Rao, the then Panchayat Secretary of
Chevuru Gram Panchayat, Krishna District (now retired) through
the Commissioner (PR&RD), Tadepalli, Guntur District.
The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development,
Tadepalli, Guntur District (in duplicate with a request to
obtain and furnish the dated acknowledgement of the orders).
Copy to:
The Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Prishad, Krishna District.
The Secretary, AP Vigilance Commission, Secretariat Building -5, Velagapudi.
The Accountant General, AP, Vijayawada.
The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, AP, Mangalagiri.
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SECTION OFFICER